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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Address to:
Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

<i>Application Number</i>	09/510,087
<i>Filing Date</i>	February 22, 2000
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Paul A. Smith
<i>Art Unit</i>	3751
<i>Examiner Name</i>	David J. Walczak
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	EVS-P-99-017

This is Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 of the above-identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR §1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114

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a. ☒ Previously submitted

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i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on September 20, 2004.
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief for Reply Brief previously filed on _____

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☐ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration

iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees or any additional fees which may be required in connection with this request, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No.: 50-0595

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(e)

ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR §1.136 and §1.17)

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$395.00 as payment for the filing fee of an RCE

c. ☒ Applicant petitions the Commissioner for a THREE MONTH extension of time so that the period for response is extended to December 17, 2004. **A check in the amount of \$510.00 to cover the extension fee is enclosed.**

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SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY REQUIRED

By: 

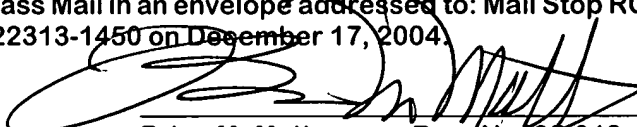
Brian M. Mattson Reg. No. 35,018
Attorney for Applicant

Date: 12/17/04

When phoning re: this application
please call Brian M. Mattson at 773/772-6009

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) transmittal (in duplicate), check for \$395.00, check for \$510.00 and a return receipt postcard are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on December 17, 2004.



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